

RESOLUTION NUMBER 109

Devon Alexander

WHEREAS, Devon Alexander claimed the WBC Super Lightweight title belt on August 1, 2009 in a bout against Junior Witter; and

WHEREAS, boxing fans across the nation will continue to recognize the incredible talent of this champion south paw from St. Louis; and

WHEREAS, at age 17, Devon Alexander made his professional debut, defeating Vincent Torres by first round T.K.O. He has been on a path to box since he walked into a gym at age 7, saying he wanted to be a boxer just like two of his older brothers; and

WHEREAS, being inspired by watching boxing on television, Devon claimed it early that he would also be on television. This was an opportunity for which he had long awaited. In his words "I want to show what I'm made of."; and

WHEREAS, as an amateur, Alexander overwhelmed opponent after opponent with his speed, quick hands and ring awareness. The pros want a more attacking style, and Devon has been very accommodating; and

WHEREAS, a quick learner, Alexander went 190-10 as an amateur, winning two national championships. As a professional, he is 19-0 with 12 KO's. Devon's victories have all been by knockout or unanimous decision; and

WHEREAS, personality is part of the essential Devon Alexander. He has what the Spanish call "duende," the ability to win over others through charm and magnetism. Devon is undoubtedly "Alexander the Great."

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize and congratulate Devon Alexander for his recent WBC Super Lightweight title and his commitment and dedication to the City of St. Louis and we further direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented to our honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 6th day of August, 2009 by:

Honorable Samuel L. Moore, Alderman 4th Ward

Adopted this the 6th day of August, 2009 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen